

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET  
DIVISION OF PERSONNEL  
B.S.A.

DATE FEBRUARY 8, 1967

Full Name RALPH EDWIN GEBES

(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address 324 CHURCH STREET,

City BATAVIA

State ILLINOIS, 60510

Age 25 (This is important and should be exact)

Approximate age \_\_\_\_\_ (To be used ONLY when exact age is not known)

Religion CATHOLIC (ROMAN)

Nationality AMERICAN

Occupation STUDENT (NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY)

Education WORKING TOWARDS BACHELORS DEGREE

Weight 170 LBS

Color WHITE

Height 5'11"

Color of hair RED

Color of eyes LIGHT BROWN

Outstanding characteristics or interests ELECTRICITY, ELECTRONICS, COOKING

Married or single SINGLE

Children \_\_\_\_\_

(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Wife's name \_\_\_\_\_

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

Unit #	City	State	Office	Date Reg'd.	Date resigned
TROOP 12	BATAVIA	ILLINOIS	SCOUTMASTER	4/66	1/9/67
Post 312	"	"	ASSOCIATE ADVISOR	11/65	1/9/67

Special recognition GRADUATE OF NATIONAL CAMP SCHOOL (AQUATICS) WOOD LAKE MICH., 1966

Recommended for Confidential File for following reasons:

ON JANUARY 6, 1967 A MEMBER OF TROOP 12'S COMMITTEE CALLED AND ASKED FOR A CONFERENCE WITH SCOUT EXECUTIVE. AT THE CONFERENCE THE COMMITTEEMEMBER <sup>STATED THAT</sup> HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED BY VERBAL ADMISSION OF ONE SCOUT INVOLVED, THAT RALPH EDWIN GEBES HAD BEEN ENGAGING IN HOMOSEXUAL ACTIVITIES WITH THIS SCOUT FOR THE PAST 2½ TO 3 YEARS. THIS ADMISSION WAS, MADE BY THE SCOUT TO HIS MOTHER AND FATHER AFTER A TEACHER AND THE COACH IN THE SCOUTS PAROCHIAL SCHOOL EXPRESSED SUSPICION. GEBES RESIGNED WHEN CONFRONTED WITH THE FACT THAT ACCUSATIONS AND ADMISSIONS HAD BEEN MADE.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

*William J. Howes*  
Scout Executive

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**IDENTIFICATION QUESTIONNAIRE****RETURN PROMPTLY TO:**

Director of Registration  
Boy Scouts of America

(MARKED PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL)

~~NOT~~ SAME MAN FEB 9 1971  
E. KOTRBA

COUNCIL No. 661	UNIT TR 72
COUNCIL SCOUTER	

Date 12131/70

SCOUTER: Ralph F. Gebes

Applying for registration as MC

(On your Transmittal No. \_\_\_\_\_)

Ever located in Batavia, Ill. Loring AFB, Maine ?

Where was he living in 1965-1967 1969 Loring ?

What is present occupation? AIR FORCE SGT

Is his middle name EDwin? No EDWARD

Was he a single man in Aug. 1969? YES

Is he white with red hair &amp; brown eyes? YES

Is he 5'11" &amp; weighs 170 lbs.? YES

Ever attend Northern Ill. Univ.? YES

Ever stationed at Loring AFB in Maine? YES When? 69

Date 2/1/71 Signature [Signature]

ASST. Scout Executive

—PLEASE ANSWER ON THIS FORM—

# ADULT REGISTRATION APPLICATION

## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE FILLED OUT PERSONALLY BY EACH ADULT WHO IS NOT LISTED ON THE UNIT CHARTER APPLICATION OR COUNCIL ROSTER AND WHO:

### STATUS

- Registers for the first time, regardless of position.
- Has been separated and is re-registering.
- Is now registered in this council, separating from current position and transferring to new position. Please submit Separation Notice for position individual is leaving.
- Is now registered in another council.

(New)

(Sep.-Re.)

(Transfer)

(Transfer)

### FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

REGION NO.

COUNCIL NO.

DISTRICT NO.

(Type of unit)  
NATIONAL NO.

2

661

6

72

Expiration date 3/71 Boys' Life term

Registration term 6 Boys' Life start issue

Unit leader fully trained ☐ Boys' Life paid

### BOYS' LIFE

Check box for subscription to Boys' Life Magazine. ☐

Half-price membership rate to registered Scouters is \$2 a year or 17 cents a month. See reverse side.

Name Ralph F. Gehes  
(Please print or type full name)

Street or R.F.D. address Bx 163

Business phone

Home phone

City Ramey AFB

State PR

ZIP code 00604

To serve as

Give letter code for UNIT position  
(See other side)

or

(Position in council)

Sex M

Age 28

U.S. citizen: Yes ☒ No ☐

No

OR Declaration of Intention: Yes ☒ No ☐

No

OR visiting adult alien\* Yes ☐ No ☐

Religious preference (See other side, Article II)

Unit Scouters only: Type of unit

Local No.

Unit location

(City)

(State)

Council name

District name

Occupation

Marital status

Have you been registered in Scouting in any adult capacity? Yes ☐ No ☐

Give position

Give dates, duration, location

Do you have an unexpired registration card? Yes ☐ No ☐

Where paid?

(Council)

(Unit No.)

Date of expiration

I hereby make application for registration with the Boy Scouts of America and subscribe to its Scout Oath or Promise and Scout Law and its declaration of religious principle as stated on the reverse side of this application. I agree, if a registration certificate is granted, to be guided by the Charter and Bylaws and other regulations of the Boy Scouts of America and the local council.

I transmit herewith \$2 registration fee for 1 year (or a pro rata fee), one-fourth of which is to cover subscription to Scouting Magazine for the period of my membership. For a subscription to Boys' Life I will add \$2 (or a pro rata amount) as indicated above.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

DATE

APPROVED BY

(See "Approval" on other side)

TITLE

### LOCAL COUNCIL APPROVAL

We hereby approve this person and recommend certificate be issued.

Date

Signed

(Scout executive)

### Check Adult Registration Fee Paid

<input type="checkbox"/> 1 mo. \$ .20	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 mo. \$ 1.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 9 mo. \$ 1.60
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 " .40	<input type="checkbox"/> 6 " 1.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 10 " 1.80
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NATIONAL COUNCIL  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

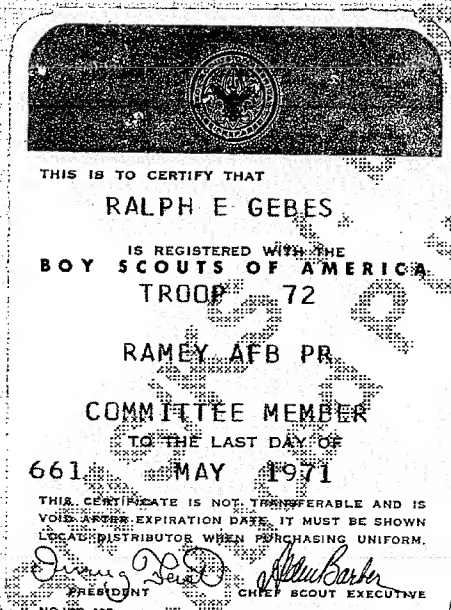
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Ralph E Gebes  
42AMS Box 114  
Loring AFB Me  
04750

Dear Sir:

I was informed by the District Scout Executive here that he had received a letter from you stating that I would not be able to register as an adult scout. Would you please write and inform me why such action was deemed necessary by you.

Yours in Scouting  
Ralph Gebes



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August 15, 1969

Mr. Earl G. Reed  
Scout Executive  
Katahdin Area Council, No. 216

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: Ralph E. Gebes

Dear Mr. Reed:

You recently sent us the Scouter application for Ralph E. Gebes, 42nd AMS, Box 114, Loring Air Force Base, Maine, to serve as Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 192 in District 5. We regret to inform you that we cannot accept Mr. Gebes' application.

When informing Mr. Gebes about this, simply tell him that the National Council does not wish to accept his registration in the Boy Scouts of America. If Mr. Gebes should raise any questions as to reason, you might indicate to him that registration in the Boy Scouts of America is a privilege and not a right and that the National Council reserves the prerogative to accept those individuals it feels will best serve the interests of the organization.

We are enclosing a credit notice of \$1.00 to cover Mr. Gebes' registration fee. Please delete his name from your records.

Sincerely,

Joseph Early, Assistant Director  
Registration and Fulfillment Service

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Enc.

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# APPLICATION FOR ADULT REGISTRATION

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(Sep.-Re.)

(Transfer)

(Transfer)

### FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

REGION NO.

COUNCIL NO.

DISTRICT NO.

TROOP  
(Type of unit)  
NATIONAL NO.

1

216

5

192

Expiration date 11/69 Boys' Life term \_\_\_\_\_

Registration term 6 MO. Boys' Life start issue \_\_\_\_\_

Unit leader fully trained ☐ Boys' Life paid \_\_\_\_\_

### BOYS' LIFE

Check box for subscription to Boys' Life magazine. ☐

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X Name Ralph E. Gebes

(Please print or type full name)

Street or R.F.D. address 42nd AMS BOX 114

Business phone 2433

Home phone 3196

City Loring A.F.B.

State Maine

ZIP code 04750

To serve as S A

Give letter code for UNIT position  
(See other side)

or

(Position in council)

Sex M Age 26 U.S. citizen: Yes Yes No \_\_\_\_\_

OR Declaration of Intention Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

OR visiting adult alien\* Yes \_\_\_\_\_

Religious preference (See other side, Article II) Catholic

Unit Scouters only: Type of unit Troop Local No. 192 Unit location Loring A.F.B., MAINE

(City)

(State)

Council name Katahdin Area

District name North Star

Occupation B N Technician

Marital status Single

Have you been registered in Scouting in any adult capacity? Yes X No \_\_\_\_\_

Give position Scoutmaster & Aquatics

Instructor

Give dates, duration, location 66-67 Batavia III

Do you have an unexpired registration card? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Where paid?

(Council)

(Unit No.)

I hereby make application for registration with the Boy Scouts of America and subscribe to its Scout Oath or Promise and Scout Law and its declaration of religious principle as stated on the reverse side of this application. I agree, if a registration certificate is granted, to be guided by the Charter and Bylaws and other regulations of the Boy Scouts of America and the local council.

I transmit herewith \$2 registration fee for 1 year (or a pro rata fee), a portion of which is to cover subscription to Scouting Magazine for the period of my membership. For a subscription to Boys' Life I will add \$2 (or a pro rata amount) as indicated above.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT Ralph E. Gebes

DATE 6/6/69

DATA PROCESSING

APPROVED BY W.B. Walker, Jr.

(See "Approval" on other side)

JUN 3 0 1969

C.C.

### LOCAL COUNCIL APPROVAL

We hereby approve this person and recommend certificate be issued.

Date 6/6/69

Signed

Earl G. Reed  
(Scout executive)

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### Check Adult Registration Fee Paid

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Chief Shabbona Council, Inc.  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

112 1/2 E. Main St., St. Charles, Ill., 60174

Area Code 312/584-7584

January 17, 1967

Mr. Howard Boyd, Director  
Registration Service  
National Council  
Boy Scouts of America  
New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903

Dear Mr. Boyd:

I have been informed by a member of the Troop Committee of Troop 12, Batavia, Illinois that the Scoutmaster of Troop 12, has resigned his position.

The Troop Committee member, with the knowledge and approval of the Troop Committee Chairman, informed me this morning that the former Scoutmaster, Ralph E. Gebas has, for the last three years been engaging in homosexual activities with at least one boy member of Troop 12.

I request that you take the proper steps in this matter. If any more information is needed please let me know.

Sincerely,

CHIEF SHABBONA COUNCIL  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

*William F. Downs*

William F. Downs  
Scout Executive

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February 10, 1971

Mr. Andres Salas  
Scout Executive  
Puerto Rico Council, No. 661

Personal and Confidential  
Re: Ralph E. Gebes  
Committeeman, Troop 72

Dear Mr. Salas:

Thank you for your response to our identification questionnaire concerning Ralph E. Gebes. From the information you provided, it is certain that your Mr. Gebes is the same individual as one on whom we have information. We therefore regret to inform you that we cannot accept Mr. Gebes' application.

When informing Mr. Gebes about this, simply tell him that the National Council does not wish to accept his registration in the Boy Scouts of America. If he should raise any questions as to reason, you might indicate to him that registration in the Boy Scouts of America is a privilege and not a right and that the National Council reserves the prerogative to accept those individuals it feels will best serve the interests of the organization.

We are herewith enclosing a credit notice of \$1.00 to cover Mr. Gebes' registration fee. Please delete his name from your records.

Sincerely,

Earl L. Krall, Director  
Registration and Subscription

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Enc. Credit Notice

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October 28, 1969

Mr. Ralph E. Gebes  
42 AMS Box 114  
Loring A.F.B., Maine

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Mr. Gebes:

This will acknowledge your recent letter and inquiry concerning our refusal to register you in the Boy Scouts of America. After a careful review of the entire history of your interest and relationship to Scouting, it is our considered judgment that you should end your efforts to become registered as a Scouting leader.

As you know, because of your past association with Scouting, the Boy Scouts of America is primarily concerned with inculcating its objectives of character development and citizenship training in the lives of youth and registration as a leader in this program is a privilege and not a right.

In keeping with these objectives, the Scouting organization has always reserved the prerogative of accepting applications from those individuals it feels are best qualified to give the kind of leadership that this organization wishes for boys enrolled in the Scouting program.

Occasionally, the Boy Scouts of America decides that, in its best judgment, it is unwilling to accept an application to commission an individual for a leadership role. Whenever it makes this determination it gives no reasons for this action and this is never intended as a criticism or accusation of any type.

It is my sincere recommendation that if you wish an outlet to any service motivated desires, you seek other channels.

Sincerely,

Howard Boyd, Director  
Registration and Fulfillment Service

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February 15, 1967

Mr. William F. Downs  
Scout Executive  
Chief Shabbona Council, No. 735

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: Ralph Edwin Gebes

Dear Mr. Downs:

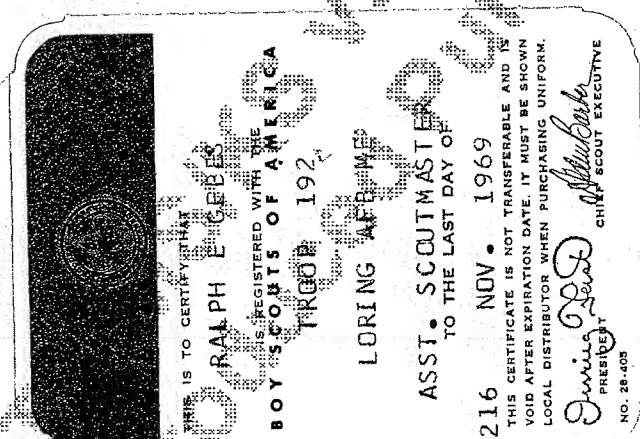
Thank you for your confidential record sheet dated February 8 concerning Ralph Edwin Gebes. We have placed this information in our files.

This additional information will enable us to identify Mr. Gebes should he ever again attempt to register in the Scouting program.

Sincerely yours,  
PERSONNEL DIVISION

Howard Boyd  
Director of Registration

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January 23, 1967

Mr. William F. Downs  
Scout Executive  
Chief Shabbona Council, No. 735

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL  
Re: Ralph E. Gebes  
Scoutmaster, Troop 12

Dear Mr. Downs:

Thank you for your letter of January 17 concerning Ralph E. Gebes, Scoutmaster of Troop 12, Batavia, Illinois. We have placed this information in our files and have taken steps to have his name deleted from the Troop roster.

Enclosed is a confidential record sheet which we would appreciate your filling out and returning to us as soon as possible, together with any substantiating documents that you can obtain pertaining to this situation, such as, statement from the boys involved, or the parents of the boys. This additional information will enable us to identify Mr. Gebes should he ever again attempt to register in the Scouting program.

I am sure you realize that this leaves Troop 12 without any registered unit leader. Undoubtedly, someone is taking over in this position. In order for the unit to continue to receive program inserts in Scouting Magazine, it will be necessary to advise this office of the name of the new unit leader. This should be done by filing with us an additional enrollment for the individual in his new position. Please do not file a separation notice as we have already dropped the current leader.

Sincerely yours,  
PERSONNEL DIVISION

Howard Boyd  
Director of Registration

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Encl.

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